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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2001, Applicant submits the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

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1. A nozzle for the injection of fluid into a molding chamber comprising:
 - a hollow passage having a distal end for connecting a pressurized fluid supply to the interior of said chamber; and
 - a pin extending through said passage and reciprocal between an extended position and a retracted position, said pin having an enlarged distal portion extending

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